

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. – 46. (Cancelled).

47. (Presently Amended) A dry, removable hemostatic wound dressing ~~comprising~~consisting essentially of a gauze matrix ~~having~~and cross-linked dextran beads ~~sprayed as a layer in powder form onto a particular wound-contacting surface~~side of said gauze matrix.

48. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 47, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 3×10^5 or greater.

49. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 48, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 5×10^5 or greater.

50. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 48, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 3×10^5 .

51. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 49, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 5×10^5 .

52. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 52, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 6.5×10^5 .

53. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 47, wherein said cross-linked dextran beads have a molecular weight exclusion limit of about 1×10^5 .